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**Lawrence J. Block**  
Judge

Date of Birth: March 15, 1951  
Education: NYU 1973 BS; John Marshall 1981 JD  
Began Service: October 2, 2002  
Term Expires: October 2017

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, George Mason University School of Law (1990-1991)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Roger J. Miner, United States District Court for the Northern District of New York (1981-1983)

**Government:** Litigation Attorney, Commercial Litigation Branch, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice Civil Division (1986-1987); Senior Attorney Advisor, Office of Legal Policy and Policy Development, United States Department of Justice (1987-1990); Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Legal Policy, Office of General Counsel, United States Department of Energy (1990-1994)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP (1983-1986)

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**Susan G. Braden**  
Judge

Date of Birth: November 8, 1948  
Education: Case Western 1970 BA, 1973 JD  
Began Service: July 14, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: July 4, 2018

**Legal Practice:** Senior Counsel, Office of the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission (1980-1985); Senior Trial Attorney, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice (1973-1980)

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**Mary Ellen Coster Williams**  
Judge

Date of Birth: April 3, 1953  
Education: Catholic U 1974 BA, 1974 MA; Duke 1977 JD  
Began Service: July 21, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: July 21, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Attorney, Civil Division (1983-1987)

**Judicial:** Administrative Judge, General Service Administration Board of Contract Appeals (1989-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1977-1979); Associate, Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis LLP (1979-1983); Partner, Janis, Schuelke & Wechsler (1987-1989)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar

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**Charles F. Lettow**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1941  
Education: Iowa State 1962 BSChE;  
Stanford 1968 LLB; Brown 2001 MA  
Began Service: July 22, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: July 13, 2018



**Clerkships:** Law Clerk Ben C. Duniway, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1968-1969); Law Clerk Warren E. Burger, Supreme Court of the United States (1969-1970)

**Government:** Counsel, Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President (1970-1973)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP (1973-1976); Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP (1976-2003)

**Military Service:** Second Lieutenant, First Lieutenant United States Army (1963-1965); CPT, United States Army Reserve (1965-1972)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; The District of Columbia Bar; Iowa State Bar Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; The State Bar of California

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Began Service: 2007

Education: Harvard 2007 JD

Law Clerk **Maile J. Gradison** ..... (202) 357-6590  
Began Service: 2007

Education: George Washington 2007 JD

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**Victor J. Wolski**  
Judge

Education: Pennsylvania 1984 BA, 1984 BS; Virginia 1991 JD  
Began Service: July 24, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: July 13, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Research Associate, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Institute for Political Economy (1984-1988)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, United States District Court for the Northern District of California (1991-1992)

**Government:** Speech Writer, Secretary of Agriculture Richard Lyng, United States Department of Agriculture, Ronald Reagan Administration (1988); Counsel to the Vice-Chairman, Joint Economic Committee, United States Congress (1997-1998); General Counsel and Chief Tax Advisor, Joint Economic Committee, United States Congress (1999); General Counsel and Chief Tax Advisor, Joint Economic Committee, United States Congress (2000)

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation (1992-1997); Attorney, Cooper, Carvin & Rosenthal (2000-2003)

**Current Memberships:** The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies; The John Carroll Society of Washington, DC; Oregon State Bar Association; The State Bar of California; The Supreme Court Historical Society; Washington State Bar Association

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Began Service: 2007

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Began Service: 2007

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**George W. Miller**  
Judge

Education: Princeton 1963 AB; Harvard 1966 JD;  
George Washington 1968 LLM  
Began Service: January 7, 2004  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: January 2019

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk Bruce M. Forrester, United States Tax Court

**Legal Practice:** Trial Attorney, Hogan & Hartson LLP (1970); Partner, Hogan & Hartson LLP

**Current Memberships:** The District of Columbia Bar; The New York State Bar Association; Virginia State Bar

**Chambers of Judge Thomas Craig Wheeler**

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**Thomas Craig Wheeler**  
Judge

Education: Gettysburg 1970 BA; Georgetown 1973 JD  
Began Service: November 28, 2005  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Legal Practice:** Associate and Partner, Pettit & Martin (1995); Partner, Piper & Marbury

**Chambers of Judge Thomas Craig Wheeler** *continued*

**Current Memberships:** Litigation Section, American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar

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**Margaret Mary Sweeney**  
Judge

Education: Notre Dame 1977 BA; Delaware 1981 JD  
Began Service: December 14, 2005  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Chief Judge Loren A. Smith, United States Court of Federal Claims (1985-1987)

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Environment and Natural Resources Division, United States Department of Justice (1987-1999); Attorney Advisor, Office of Intelligence Policy and Review, United States Department of Justice; Special Master, United States Court of Federal Claims, United States Courts of Limited Jurisdiction

**Judicial:** Court Master, Delaware Family Court (1981-1983); President, United States Court of Federal Claims Bar Association (1999)

**Legal Practice:** Litigation Associate, Fedorko, Gilbert & Lanctot (1983-1985)

**Current Memberships:** United States Court of Federal Claims Bar

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**Thomas J. Lydon**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1927  
Education: Maine 1952 BA; Georgetown 1955 LLB, 1957 LLM  
Began Service: October 1, 1982

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice (1955-1972); Chief, Court of Claims Section, United States Department of Justice (1967-1972)

**Judicial:** Trial Commissioner, United States Court of Claims (1972-1982); Trial Commissioner, United States Court of Claims (1979-1982)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1945-1946)

**Current Memberships:** The District of Columbia Bar; Maine State Bar Association

**Chambers of Senior Judge Robert J. Yock**

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**Robert J. Yock**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1938  
Education: St Olaf 1959 BA; Michigan 1962 JD  
Began Service: October 1, 1982  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Chief Counsel, National Archives (1969-1970); Executive Assistant to Administrator, General Services Administration (1970-1972); Assistant General Counsel, General Services Administration (1972-1977)

**Judicial:** Trial Judge, United States Court of Claims (1977-1982); Judge, United States Court of Federal Claims (1982-1998)

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